

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 808

SENATE BILL NO. 3514

By Yager, Gresham, Black, Burks

Substituted for: House Bill No. 2987

By Harry Brooks, Matheny

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 33, Chapter 5, Part 1, relative to creating a task force to review regulations.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 33, Chapter 5, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

§ 33-5-110.

(a) The Speakers of the Senate and House of Representatives shall jointly appoint a twenty-five (25) person task force to review the regulations of the residential and day provider agencies contracted by the Tennessee Division of Intellectual Disabilities Services (DIDS) and make initial recommendations with regard to relieving expensive and unnecessary regulations on such providers to the general assembly and governor by January 1, 2011. The task force shall subsequently make annual reports to the governor and the general assembly by January 1 of each year thereafter.

(b) Eleven (11) of the members of the task force shall be appointed from a list of persons provided by DIDS's service providers. Eight (8) members shall be appointed from DIDS, at least one (1) of whom shall be an assistant commissioner with the division. One (1) member shall be an assistant commissioner with the Bureau of TennCare, and one (1) member shall be appointed from the Department of Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities office of licensure. Four (4) members shall be appointed from the DIDS advisory council, or its successor body.

(c) The speakers shall jointly designate two (2) of the members to serve as co-chairs of the task force. One (1) co-chair shall be a DIDS service provider, and one (1) co-chair shall be a DIDS staff person.

(d) The task force created by this section shall assume the duties and responsibilities of the regulatory relief board.

(e) Members of the task force shall serve without compensation. The task force shall complete its appointed duties and make its final

report to the governor and the general assembly by June 30, 2014, at which time the task force shall cease to exist.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: April 8, 2010



RON RAMSEY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE



KENT WILLIAMS, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 20th day of April 2010



PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR